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POPULATIONS AND USES THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 48-52 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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1. (Once amended) An antibody which
 - (i) reacts with an epitope on dendritic cells (DCs) displaying features of at least one of immature [and/]or mature DCs from peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs), but
 - (ii) does not react with other PBMCs.
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3. (Once amended) The antibody of claim 1 [or 2], wherein said DCs are HLA-DR⁺.
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4. (Once amended) The antibody of [any one of claims 1 to 3] claim 1, wherein said DCs are selected from the group consisting of CD64⁻, CD33⁺, CD45RA⁺, CD11c⁺ and p55⁻ and [mostly] CD16⁺.